

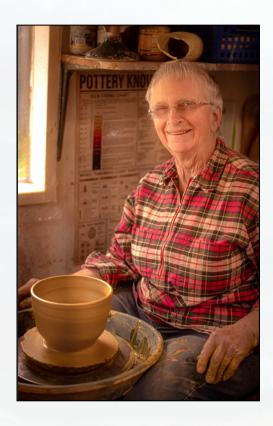
BLAINE ARTS COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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November 2024

General Meeting - November 14, 2024 - 6:30pm



November Presenter

Bonnie Ventura

"Some Assembly Required"

Bonnie has been potting since 1965. Her underlying philosophy is "form follows function," pots being the material shells of ideas developed to contain and serve food and items of daily use. Currently, she is producing pots which integrate with plants, water and/or light. The extravagant beauty of the coiled Jomon vessels is a major influence; the struggle to balance the weight and friability of clay pots with function an ongoing puzzle. Most of Bonnie's pots are constructions of wheel-thrown forms blended with hand-building; this will be a demonstration of some of those techniques.



Join Us At Our General Meeting Location! Blaine Community Complex - 763 G Street November 14, 2024 - 6:30 pm Graciously Hosted by:



Blaine Art Gallery & Gift Shop - 922 Peace Portal Drive

provember Show

Join us for a spectacular November show featuring:



HELEN WORLEY



DESIGNS BY MAGZ



ROCK MORRIS

Helen Worley is a world traveler capturing the culture of each place she visits through her use of light and content taking us to these places through her photographs.

Designs by Magz creates exquisite jewelry with a charitable purpose. She is also known for her graphic art talents, championing public art, and curating fantastic murals.

Rock Morris is a complex artist unafraid to plumb the depths of his psyche to develop his own language of symbols and expression in his art.

Joseph Kinnebrew is a sculptor, painter, lecturer, inventor and author. He has been described by several in the art world as an eccentric creative genius.

Visit their websites by clicking on their images and see more incredible work!

November Gallery Hours

Thursdays and Fridays 11-4 Saturdays 11-5 and Sundays 12-5



JOSEPH KINNEBREW

SHOW YOUR ARTWORK IN 2025!

Show your artwork in the Gallery for exposure, and sell your art. Join the Gallery Gift Shop and sell your smaller format art, such as prints and/or less expensive items.

If interested, follow the link below and fill out the form. This will give us the opportunity to get you scheduled for your Gallery and/or Gift Shop debut.

For any questions, contact: gallerychair@blaineartscouncil.org

Gallery Participation Form

Blaine Art Gallery & Gift Shop - 922 Peace Portal Drive

1st Friday Downtown Art Walk

November 1

5:30 to 8 pm

Come check out the new show and enjoy the delicious catering by *It's the Sweet Things*. Then take a walk downtown to see more art and enjoy the many things Blaine's local businesses have to offer.

We are grateful for our partnerships with Blaine's local business community, and look forward to growing our impact each month. Thank you to all who come out to celebrate the arts in Blaine!

FOLLOW US ON:





Thank you to all the artists who submitted their work for our December Gift Shop Gallery! We are full with 14 artists, offering everything from holiday cards to lighted, metal Christmas trees. It will most certainly be a festival of unique gifts that you, your family, and friends will love and cherish for years to come.

IST FLOCIAL AT THE GALLERY!

Hawk Jow! Aloha Cafe
Blaine Bouquet
Blind Bird Art Studio

<u>Drayton Harbor Oyster Company</u>

L & L Bakery Living Pantry

Niemann's Black Forest Steakhouse

Peace Arch City Cafe

The Vault Wine Bar



BAC Member Happenings & Opportunities

ANNIE PFLUEGER

Annie's photography will be showing at L & L Bakery through November.

BARBARA DAVIS-PYLES

On the first Tuesday of every month, BAC member Barbara hosts "Write Here Right Now" at the Blaine Library from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. If you're ready to work on that book you've always wanted to write, this is the time and place!

BONNIE VENTURA

Bonnie is teaching a pottery class for hand-built mugs at the Blaine-Birch Bay recreation center on November 1 and 8, from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm. as part of their after-school enrichment program.

DIANE BERG

Diane teaches painting classes every week at the Senior Center: Watercolor classes each Tuesday from Noon to 1pm, and Acrylic classes 12:30 to 1:30pm each Wednesday.

DIANE & PAUL BERG

Diane and Paul teach Zentangles every week at the Senior Center from 10am to 11am each Tuesday.

GEORGIA DONOVAN

Georgia's Cannery Girl series is being featured at the Alaska Packers Assoc Museum on the Semiahmoo Spit. <u>Museum Information</u>. Georgia will also show her latest works of art at Blaine Public Library through December.

HARMANNA ANTONIA KUNST

Harmanna is representing her late husband, Johannes Kunst's art work at the Cordata Gallery until the end of January 2025. November - December his 1960-2000 work will be showing at the Blue Heron. Everyone is invited to the Opening at the Blue Heron, Wed, Nov. 6, at 4:30.

JAMES ROBINSON

James is offering an online, still-life & photo drawing course for pencil, for beginners to advanced. If you would like more info, visit **Online drawing course info link**, or contact him at **jamesbaby356@gmail.com**.

JOSEPH KINNEBREW

Joseph's book *DIVA* has won the prestigious international Readers' Favorite Book Award in 2023. Congrats Joseph!

REBECCA DANGER & JUDY NEWLAND

Rebecca and Judy are participating in a Holiday Studio Sale at Yates Fine Arts located at 2614 Aldergrove Road in Ferndale on November 23 & 24, 11-5pm. Jennifer Yates is hosting at her studio in the woods, showcasing natural wood pieces, hand-thrown pottery, dyed fabrics, quilts, watercolors, toys, and jewelry. Come for the beauty and stay for the inspiration.

BAC Member Happenings & Opportunities

ROCK MORRIS

Rock is currently in the Whatcom Artist Studio Tour Group Show at Whatcom Museum through January and his WAST solo exhibit at It's About Time Cultural Arts Center was a success. Next month he will be showing at the Blaine Art Gallery and It's About Time Cultural Arts Center for its Grand Opening on Nov. 16, 11-6pm. Online soon at www.itsabouttime.space.

SHAWNA MORRIS

Shawna will have two pieces featured at the Jansen Gallery beginning in October.

SIERRA JAMES

Sierra of SieArts is teaching a class at the new Whatcom Art Center at 1105 11th street in Fairhaven. Nov. 24, 2-4 pm. You will learn the fluid art bloom technique, both how to mix the paints and how to create art pieces. As part of the class, you will create 3 pieces of art you can use as holiday gifts. Cost per person: \$30. Email Sierra: siearts7@gmail.com

VAUNE AINSWORTH

Vaune will be exhibiting work in the Grand Opening show at It's About Time Cultural Arts Center in Ferndale. The Grand Opening will be held November 16, 11-6pm.



Open Book Festival November 3, 12-5 Ferndale Events Center

Open Book Festival Info

Open Book Festival BAC Artists

KIM MORRIS

Kim's cardboard sculpture of Lloyd the dragon, will be at the Open Book Festival at the Ferndale Event Center. Get a photo with Lloyd! **Click Here** to listen to Kim's interview about her dragon.

MOTOKO LEWIS

Motoko will be participating in the Open Book Festival as an illustrator, accompanying Bellingham author, Kerry Claire, of the book *The Adventures of Wonky Willy*. It's available through Amazon (Amazon link), with a book reading to be held at Village Books on Jan. 18 at 2 pm.

BAC Member to Member

Matboards, Backing Boards, and Watercolor Paper for Sale

Motoko Lewis is selling matboards and backing boards. They are acid-free, white, 30"x 24", with a single 24"x 20" opening for \$15 each pair. Also, Stonehenge, Coldpress Watercolor paper, black, 20 x 30, 140lbs. 5 sheets per pkg for \$25. More than one pkg is available. For further details or price arrangements, please contact Motoko Lewis at artistinfo@motokolewis.com

BAC Member Happenings & Opportunities

2024 -2025 MEETING PRESENTERS & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES!

Mark your calendars! Our **BAC Holiday Party** is approaching and during our January **2025 Annual General Meeting** we will be reviewing 2024, and our 2025 focus. **Artist Networking at the General Meetings** is our Adult Show & Tell, and is super fun! Thank you to all of our members who have graciously shared their talents with us this year. See below for 2025 open opportunities to be a presenter at a general meeting and share with us what you do!

Dec 12 - 2024 BAC Holiday Party Jun 12 - Adult Show and Tell

Jan 9 - **2025 Annual General Meeting**Feb 13 - Michelle Kamrath

Jul 10 - *Open*Aug 14 - *Open*

Mar 13 - Adult Show and Tell Sept 11 - Adult Show and Tell

Apr 10 - Gordon Nealy Oct 9 - *Open*May 8 - *Open*Nov 13 - *Open*

A Petite Word From The President

Hello all!

It's been an interesting month, and I feel I've missed a lot. They say be careful what you wish for, but I think it is more important to be specific what you wish for. After a full 5 months of running - gallery opening, fundraiser, 1st Friday launches, community engagement, and a mural festival - I was exhausted and ready for some mid-October couch time. What I got was laid up sick for 2+ weeks... Saying I planned to relax and be one with the couch is indeed what happened, just not in the way I envisioned. Such is life!

That's said to preface the importance of specific planning for where we want to go/be next. This is what we as your Board are looking at over the next 2 weeks - what have we learned since January on our 2024 goals, and what would we like to see in 2025? What will be most important for our members, and how can we provide the most benefit? I invite you to let us know your thoughts as we bring 2024 to a close, and look to the promise of 2025, at president@blaineartscouncil.org. The Board will bring their preliminary thoughts to the membership at the Nov. 14th meeting for member review. We are excited to see you there!

As always, thank you all for your partnership! Margaret Owens

Welcome New Members!

WE WISH TO WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS TO THE BLAINE ARTS COUNCIL.

Linda Galle Joanna Heggem Paul Stone Tom Dorsey

We want to know all newsworthy items about you! Shows, awards, where your art will be, items you would like to sell or trade? Please submit information by the 25th each month to:

communications@blaineartscouncil.org